

Man cleared of forgery charge in Sharjah

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Sharjah: A Sharia court has acquitted a Pakistani man of forging an educational certificate belonging to his brother.

The Sharjah General Public Prosecution had earlier charged Y.J., 38, with forging UAE stamps and producing the certificate at the UAE Consulate in Karachi.

A public prosecutor had accused Y.J. of using a Dh100 UAE government attestation stamp removed from another certificate on the forged graduation certificate. The man also faced charges of making a fake graduation certificate.

Police arrested Y.J. as he was submitting the forged certificate belonging to his brother to the Foreign Ministry office in Sharjah for attestation so that it could be used in the country.

Forensic lab report

Forensic laboratory investigations proved that the certificate was a fake copy and that the stamp and signature on it had been forged.

According to court papers, Y.J. denied all the charges against him.

Y.J. told the court that the graduation certificate belonged to his brother, identified as M.J. Y.J. told the court that his brother in Pakistan told him to get the certificate attested at the Foreign Ministry office in Sharjah.

A judicial official said it was clear to the court that the role played by Y.J. was only to take the certificate for attestation.